BROWN COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Brown County Traffic Safety Commission was held on April 10, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., at the Brown County Sheriff's Office.

Present:

Brad Strouf

Don Mjelde Michael Panosh Dan Sandberg Randy Wiessinger Rachel Constine

Joshua Falk
Cullen Peltier
Jennifer Austin
Dan Van Lanen

Peter Flucke

Chad Opicka Cole Runge Anna Destree Tom Doughman

I. Call to Order

Chairman Sandberg called the meeting to order at approximately 9:00 a.m.

II. Old Business

Flucke noted a correction should be made in the January 2018 minutes that Ledgeview is working on a bike/pedestrian "plan", not route. Motion made by Mjelde and seconded by Peltier to approve the January 2018 minutes with this revision. **Motion carried.**

III. DOT/BOTS Updates

Falk stated next week is Work Zone Awareness Week. DOT is planning a media event on April 12. The 41/141 project north of Green Bay should be completed in late October/early November 2018. Painting of the steel girders on the bridge over the Fox River on STH 172 will start next month.

Panosh reported the OWI Task Force was out this past Saturday night in Ashwaubenon and had seven OWI arrests. There have been 169 OWIs so far for the fiscal year that runs October 1, 2017, to September 30, 2018. The Seatbelt Task Force has had almost 500 speed violations and almost 200 seatbelt violations.

Wiessinger stated that BOTS has a partnership with Children's Hospital in Milwaukee and hopes to have the coordinator come to the next meeting reference teen driving.

IV. 2018 First Quarter Fatal Crash Review

Sandberg reviewed the two 1st quarter fatal crashes. The operator/victim in the crash at CTH D and CTH KK in the town of Holland who failed to stop at the stop sign was not wearing a seatbelt and was ejected. The bicyclist in the hit-and-run crash at N. Oakland Ave. and W. Walnut St. in the city of Green Bay died later of his injuries, the driver of the vehicle was arrested and under the influence of marijuana.

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Sandberg reported there were 21 fatal crashes in 2017 involving 25 deaths, 47% of them being alcohol-related with an average BAC of .187.

V. Update and Review Place of Last Drink Study

Sandberg stated there were 227 OWI arrests in Brown County for the 1st quarter as reported by participating agencies. Of those, 94 reported drinking at a house/at home/refused/unknown and 133 reported drinking at an establishment. Eight establishments were documented more than three times by OWI offenders. It was noted that of the 398 establishments in Brown County, 335 were not mentioned by an offender. There was discussion about proactive strategies in working together with the establishments, particularly awareness and education on overserving.

VI. Brown County Tavern League Updates

Mjelde, along with Galen Sherbon who is the president of Another Way, gave a presentation on a shuttle bus program that will be implemented for taverns in Green Bay and surrounding area. There will be three buses running three routes on Friday and Saturday nights from 7 p.m.-1 a.m. It is only available to Tavern League members that participate in the SafeRide program. There are currently 45 bars interested and up to 60 could participate. There will be a free phone app that patrons can use to purchase a \$1 token for each ride on the bus or they will receive a token if they buy a drink at one of the participating bars. Another Way is on Facebook.

VII. Roundtable Discussion

Panosh stated there will be a seatbelt mobilization on Memorial Day.

Constine stated that CTH ZZ will be closed during road construction but will have a detour. There will also be projects on CTH G and CTH T. Maps and information on county road construction projects can be found on Brown County's website.

Runge stated he would like to approach the City of Green Bay about an overnight parking program so that bar patrons can leave their vehicles parked on the street if they've had too much to drink and not get a ticket. The parking meters in Green Bay are becoming automated, so you can now pay for meter time using your phone. He stated that Seattle and Boulder have implemented such programs.

Flucke stated pedestrian enforcement action day will be May 9. He stated there will be pedestrian/bicyclist training for law enforcement on May 31-June 1 in Green Bay.

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Destree reported the Public Health Department is moving in September. They will not have a car seat garage, but they will continue car seat education.

Wiessinger stated the newest version of the Brown County Strategic Highway Safety Plan is available online for viewing. Sandberg will e-mail everyone the document.

VIII. Citizen Appearances

None.

IX. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held July 10, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., at the Brown County Sheriff's Office.

X. Adjourn

Motion was made by Van Lanen and seconded by Destree to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha Laurent Recording Secretary